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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2003, please amend the claims in the above-identified patent application as follows:

Claims 1-5 (Cancelled).

Claim 6 (Currently Amended). A method for producing an aluminum composite material comprising: